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METHOD AND DEVICE FOR TRANSMITTING SIMULATION

MODELS BETWEEN SIMULATORS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend this application as follows, it being noted that an appendix showing the marked up claims is attached:

#### IN THE CLAIMS:

3. The device according to claim 2, characterized in that it is an integrated component of one of the simulators (10, 17).

Please add the following new claim:

7. (New) The device according to claim 1, characterized in that it is an integrated component of one of the simulators (10, 17).

#### **REMARKS**

The claims have been amended to avoid multiple claim dependency and to provide claim coverage corresponding to original claim 3.

Respectfully submitted,

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# **APPENDIX**

# VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES

# IN THE CLAIMS:

3. The device according to claim [1 or] 2, characterized in that it is an integrated component of one of the simulators (10, 17).